

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Does anyone else wish to speak to the Elmer amendment? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Elmer?

SENATOR ELMER: Just a brief closing, Madam President. This is intended only to allow students who have a driver's permit to go to school, to be able to go to a school sponsored activity at the premises where they attend school regularly. Many, many parents out in rural areas have lots of other obligations, board meetings, social activities and things of this type that make it quite difficult for them to go to say a play practice, and sit through a whole play practice just to take the kids in and bring them home. And I think it's a reasonable thing to do because it's what's already being done in most cases in most counties. It's just a few that are interpreting this very narrowly to exclude going to athletic practices, or drama practices or things like that from the scope of the driver's permit to attend school. I'd ask for your adoption. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Elmer. We'll now vote on the Elmer amendment to LB 336. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 13 ayes, 13 nays, Madam President, on the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment fails. Do you have an amendment on the desk, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Madam President, Senators Beutler and Bernard-Stevens would move to amend. (Beutler-Bernard-Stevens amendment is on page 895 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam President, this amendment is not a Christmas tree amendment, not an effort to kill the bill. But it is an effort at least in one portion of the bill to make the bill apply equally to all persons, regardless of their age. And that particular section of the bill is on page 4 and 5, where it says that whenever it comes to the attention of the director, the Director of Motor Vehicles, that a certain record of